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## **Commissioner for Patents**

The reply filed on November 18, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant was required to elect SINGLE disclosed species for the claimed polymers (i) the polymer comprising an acrylate monomer, a tertiary carboxylic ester and a fluoro acrylate monomer or (ii) the polymer comprising an acrylate monomer, a tertiary carboxylic ester and a silicone monomer as described in Claims 1 and 6-15. This election means that Applicant is required under 35 U. S. C. § 121 to elect a single ultimate disclosed specie for each of the above genera for prosecution on the merits to which claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held allowable. Where specific species are not identified in the claims, Applicant should elect specific species from the Specification. An alternative method of election is to identify an Example, which collectively exemplifies the elected species. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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